

### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Claims 1-5, 7-13 and 17-20 have been rejected. Appreciation is expressed for the indication of allowance of Claims 6 and 14-16 if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 2-8, 10-16 and 18-20 stand rejected due to informalities. Applicants have amended Claims 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8 to address the informalities raised by the Examiner. Claims 1, 3-5, 7-8, and 17-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2005/0013255 A1 issued to Knop et al. Claims 2 and 9-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Knop in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,629,145 B1 issued to Pham et al.

Knop discloses an availability unit and monitor unit that monitor computers interfaced with a network to attempt to recover unavailable network interfaces.

Claim 1 recites, in part, “a configuration adjustment engine running on the information handling system and interfaced with the management connection engine, the configuration adjustment engine operable to adjust the configuration of the network communication component if the management connection engine determines the network communication component fails to connect with the remote deployment management station after configuration by the configuration agent.”

Claim 9 recites, in part, “automatically adjusting the network communication component configuration at the information handling system.”

Claim 17 recites, in part, “a configuration adjustment engine interfaced with the management connection engine and operable to adjust the configuration of the network communication components that are unable to communicate over the network after application of the configuration information by the configuration agent.”

Knop cannot anticipate Claims 1, 9 and 17 because Knop fails to teach, disclose or suggest all elements recited by Claims 1, 9 and 17. For example, Knop fails to teach, disclose or suggest “a configuration adjustment engine running on the information handling system” as recited by Claim 1; “automatically adjusting the network communication component

configuration at the information handling system”as recited by Claim 9; and an information handling system comprising “a configuration adjustment engine” as recited by Claim 17. Knop’s availability unit, referenced by the Examiner in paragraph 44, does not run on the information handling system having difficulty with a network communication component, but rather monitors other computers through the network. Accordingly, Knop cannot anticipate Claims 1, 9 and 17 or Claims 2-8, 10-16 and 18-20 which depend respectively from Claims 1, 9 and 17.

### **CONCLUSION**

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees that may be necessary and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502264.

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